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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM ISSUE  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(B)(3)**

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to withdraw the above-identified application from issue. The issue fee in this application was timely paid on July 8, 2005. No patent number and issue date have, as yet, been accorded this application.

Please charge the fee of \$1,700.00 required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(a) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)(1) to Deposit Account No. 03-3325.

Applicant respectfully petitions that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue so that certain prior art in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement may be properly considered in conjunction with a request for continuing application under 37 C.F.R. 1.114.

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Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that this petition be granted and the above-identified application withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(b)(3).

Respectfully submitted,



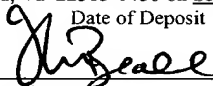
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